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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) is a(n): ☒ Utility ☐ Design

☒ original patent application,  
☐ continuation-in-part application

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TITLE: **METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR SAMPLE MIXING**

Enclosed are:

☒ The Declaration and Power of Attorney. ☒ signed ☐ unsigned or partially signed  
☒ 1 sheets of drawings (one set) ☐ Associate Power of Attorney  
☐ Form PTO-1449 ☒ Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449  
☐ Priority document(s) ☐ (Other) \_\_\_\_\_ (fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_)

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